

REMARKS

On July 26, 2007, Applicant's representative Mark Garrett discussed the present Restriction Requirement with Examiner Erez. Mr. Garrett explained that claim 31 had been designated by the Patent Office as generic for the Group I claims specified in the January 8, 2004 Restriction Requirement (contrary to the assertion at the top of page 3 of the present Restriction Requirement), and that the pending claims do fall within the elected invention (contrary to the assertion near the bottom of page 2 of the present Restriction Requirement). Examiner Erez agreed with these explanations, indicated that they overcame the Restriction Requirement, and asked Applicant to put them in a response.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the Restriction Requirement is overcome and that prosecution should resume. The Office is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3031 with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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